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[57] **ABSTRACT**

The invention provides a means of inhibiting bacterial growth particularly on a coated substrate. It comprises a method of forming a substantially dry powder coating containing a biocide, applying the powder coating composition to form a coating on the substrate, the biocide being capable of retaining effective biocidal activity in the coating.

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